

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A garment drying rack comprising:

a cylindrical hub, and

at least three elongated legs pivotally mounted at an inner end to said hub and movable between an operable position in which said legs extend radially outwardly from said hub and a storage position in which said legs are generally parallel and adjacent to each other, each leg having a ratchet at said inner end,

an actuator axially movably mounted to said hub and movable between a first and a second position, said actuator having a gear rack which nests with said ratchet on each leg to simultaneously pivot said legs in unison with each other from said storage position to said operable position as said actuator moves from said first to said second position, and

an elongated strut associated with each leg, each strut being pivotally secured at an inner end to said actuator and pivotally secured at an outer end to an intermediate portion of its associated leg.

2-5 (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) The invention as defined in claim [[5]] 1 wherein each ~~support~~ strut is pivotal between an open position in which said ~~support~~ strut extends outwardly from its associated leg, and a collapsed position in which said ~~support~~ strut is nested within its associated leg.

7. (Original) The invention as defined in claim 6 where each leg includes a recess adjacent its outer end, each said recess dimensioned to receive a free end of one support.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Original) The invention as defined in claim 1 and comprising a hook secured on one end of said hub.

10. (Canceled)